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## **Positive Happenings throughout Roselle Schools - Feb. 17 to 21**

### **Abraham Clark High School Principal Rashon Mickens Honored for Black History Month**

Students at Abraham Clark High School were challenged to create a project regarding a person of African descent that has been influential in their lives, in honor of Black History Month.

Some highlighted Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr. but one class decided to highlight someone that affects their everyday life – ACHS Principal Rahson Mickens.

Students penned a letter to Principal Mickens and also sketched a portrait of him with the school's slogan "Ram Ready" sported across the bottom. The slogan is something that Principal Mickens proudly says every day to help encourage the students.

"This honor was to my surprise but I couldn't be more thankful to be highlighted as a hero during Black History Month," said Principal Mickens.

The letter and portrait proudly hang in the main hallway of the high school.



### **Students at Grace Wilday Junior High School Honored**

Grace Wilday Junior High School held its second-annual Blue Carpet Character Awards this week when a select group of seventh and eighth grade students were honored for their accomplishments aside from academics.

The categories included respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, citizenship, trustworthiness, positive attitude, most improved and class participation.

“These awards are meant to focus on the way students have grown aside from academics. These social emotional learning characteristics are just as important as grades,” said Principal Tomeeko Hunt at the ceremony.

Students in Grace Wilday’s first-ever basketball program were also honored at the awards with certificates, t-shirts and a cake. The school has both a girls and boys team.

“Athletics are a great tool and opportunity to do something positive in your life. We also explain to the athletes that they need to put the same energy into academics,” said boys coach Antoine Patterson.

Congratulations to all students who were honored.



### **Leonard V. Moore Middle School Continues Celebrating Black History Month**

Leonard V. Moore Middle School students had another visit from Reverend Stephen A. Green, a local community leader, in honor of Black History Month.

The Reverend spoke to the students in a pair of assemblies that focused on the origins of Black History Month, the NAACP, the influence of Martin Luther King Jr. and the current and historical state of civil rights.

### **Harrison Elementary School Celebrates its Love for Math**

This week, Harrison Elementary School celebrated its love for math by hosting an evening full of fun math games accompanied by a parent workshop.

Parents learned key math skills and strategies to help assist their children at home with homework. One of the exercises included instructions on how a simple game or deck of cards can be turned into a math scavenger hunt to play at home.

“We had a great turnout and everyone had fun. Thank you to our dedicated parents for making this a special night,” said Principal Melissa Nevarez.



### **Washington Elementary School First Graders Celebrate Presidents' Day**

First graders at Washington Elementary School had a blast learning about the country's forefathers in honor of Presidents' Day.

Students were assigned a president to research and then presented in front of their class the important information they learned. Some students even dressed up as their subjects.



**Dr. Charles C. Polk Elementary School Hosts Annual Science Fair Awards**

Dr. Charles C. Polk School held its annual STEM (Science) Fair Awards Assembly this week when students were honored for their science fair projects.

All students were responsible for completing a science experiment for the Science Fair on Jan. 20 and received certificates of participation.

The 16 winners who competed in the recent Science Fair competition were awarded trophies and medals. Awards were also given to all distinguished honor students who received A's in all subjects.

“Parents were in attendance to highlight the success and accomplishments of all our students. It was a time to celebrate Polk School's students' success in the first and second marking period,” said Principal Andreaa Harry.



### **Students at the Kindergarten Success Academy Celebrate the 100th Day of School**

The Kindergarten Success Academy celebrated the 100th day of school this week with a myriad of activities.

Each classroom displayed various depictions representing 100. Students also sported their 100th day of school crowns and sang a host of songs celebrating this milestone day.

“There are even greater learning opportunities planned for the final 83 days of school at the KSA,” mentioned Principal Dr. Nathan Fisher.

### **Roselle Preschoolers Focus on Friendship and Social Emotional Learning**

Roselle Preschoolers celebrated the importance of friendship this week. To cap off a great week, the students experienced a Friendship Party on Friday.

Throughout the week and during the party, the students focused on being kind to their friends and learning the importance of sharing things with others.

This week ties in with Roselle Public Schools push for social emotional learning.